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VIA ELECTRONIC TRANSFER

Memorandum To: Mr. Charles L.A. Terreni, Chief Clerk/Administrator
Public Service Commission of South Carolina

From: Joseph W. Rogers, Tariffs Administrator
Office of Regulatory Staff

In Re: Request for delay in processing of tariff filing of BellSouth Long Distance, Inc.,
related to its Initial Access Service Tariff (South Carolina P.S.C. Tariff No. 5)

This is a request to postpone the processing of tariff revisions submitted by BellSouth Long Distance, Inc., cover letter date of December 22, 2005. Due to fact that a non-compliance and/or consumer interest related issue may exist in this tariff filing, the Office of Regulatory Staff would like the opportunity to discuss the changes contained in this filing with the Company. This request for a delay in processing is in lieu of a formal request for investigation. Hopefully, we will be able to resolve our issues without the necessity of a formal investigation.

Please acknowledge receipt of this request electronically by the end of this day with your decision on this request to Joe Rogers (jwrogers@regstaff.sc.gov). After we discuss this matter with the Company, we will advise you either of resolution of our concerns or of the need to conduct a formal investigation.

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